

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 2849**  
Yasuyuki SUZUKI et al. : Docket No. 2002\_0206A  
Serial No. 10/049,821 : Group Art Unit 1616  
Filed February 19, 2002 : Examiner Alton. N. Pryor  
PERCUTANEOUS ABSORPTION :  
PREPARATIONS :

RESPONSE

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated November 12, 2003.

The Examiner has requested the structure of compound A.

The structure of compound A is shown on the attached sheet.

The Examiner has also requested an election of isopropyl myristate or propylene glycol or lauric ethanolamide.

Applicants elect lauric ethanolamide.

Favorable action under merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

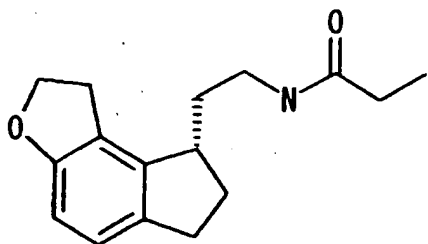
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### Structure of Compound A



AutoNom Name:

N-[2-(1,6,7,8-Tetrahydro-2H-3-oxa-a  
s-indacen-8-yl)-ethyl]-propionamide

(S)-N-[2-(1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-2H-indeno[5,4-b]furan-8-yl)ethyl]propionamide